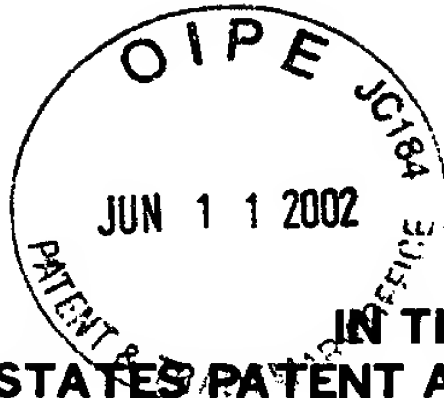


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PATENT APPLICATION

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Lowell E. Kolb et al.

Application No.: 09/813,257

Filing Date: 03/19/2001

Title: FILLER MATERIAL AND PRETREATMENT OF PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD COMPONENTS
TO FACILITATE APPLICATION OF CONFORMAL EMI COATING

Confirmation No.: 2624

Examiner: Dinh, Tuan T.

Group Art Unit: 2827

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() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
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TOTAL CLAIMS	20	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
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OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Serial No: 09/813,257
Filed: March 1, 2001
For: A BOARD-LEVEL EMI SHIELD THAT ADHERES TO AND CONFORMS
WITH PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD COMPONENT AND BOARD
SURFACES

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2002, Applicants submit the following Election of Invention.

It is not believed that extension for time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in document accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

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Requirement For Restriction

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended to the undersigned representative in a telephone conference conducted on June 4, 2002. In the conference, the Examiner and undersigned agreed that the restriction requirement be modified as outlined below.

The application has been restricted to one of the following three inventions under 35 USC 1.121:

Group I: Claims 1, 3-17, drawn to a printed circuit board (174/256 classification);

Group II: Claims 18-20, drawn to a method for preparing a printed circuit board (427/487 classification); and

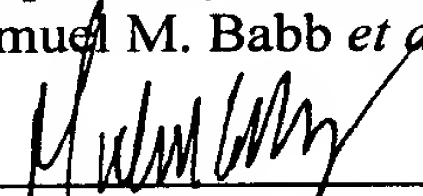
Group III: Claims 20-21, drawn to a method for manufacturing a printed circuit board (29/832 classification).

The Examiner indicated that with the proper amendments, the claims currently in Groups II and III may be reclassified into a single Group.

Applicants elect without traverse the invention as defined by the Examiner to be included in Group I.

If the Examiner believes, after entering this paper into the record, that an Interview on the merits would expedite allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the Applicants' representative at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,
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